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Examiner : Janet L. Andres, Ph.D
Group Art Unit : 1646
Applicants : Pravin Chaturvedi, et al.
Serial No. : 09/941,282
Filed : August 28, 2001
For : OPTIMAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS
THEREOF FOR TREATING HCV
INFECTIONS

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Cambridge, Massachusetts
June 10, 2003

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the February 10, 2003
Office Action in the above-identified application.
Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend
the period for responding to that Action for one (1) month,
from May 10, 2003 up to and including June 10, 2003 and have
paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and
1.17(a)(1).

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Kindly amend claims 1-4.

Kindly cancel claims 8-12.

Pursuant to the revised amendment format of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, applicants have enclosed herewith a copy of the canceled and amended claims in the Claim Amendment section below: